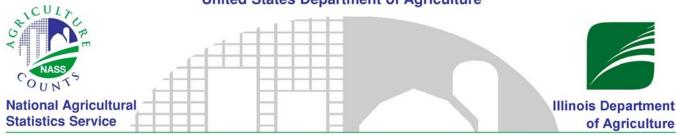
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SPRINGFIELD, IL - The Illinois Field Office of NASS today released the USDA's June 1 Hogs and Pigs Report. State and national highlights of the report include:

## **ILLINOIS**

The number of hogs and pigs on Illinois farms on June 1, 2007 was 3.90 million head, seven percent less than a year earlier and four percent less than the March 1, 2007 inventory. Breeding hogs, at 440 thousand head, were up two percent from a year ago, but steady with last quarter. Market hogs, at 3.46 million head, were down eight percent from June 2006 and down four percent from March 2007.

The Illinois March-May pig crop, at 2.025 million, was up seven percent from a year ago. There were 225 thousand sows that farrowed, up seven percent from the farrowings for the same time last year. Pigs per litter, at 9.00, were down slightly from the average of 9.05 pigs saved per litter last quarter.

Illinois hog producers **intend to farrow** 450 thousand sows between June 1 and November 30, 2007. This would be 35 thousand farrowings more than during this period a year ago. Producers expect to farrow 225 thousand sows during the June-August quarter, up 13 percent from a year earlier. The first intentions estimate for farrowings during the September-November quarter is 225 thousand sows, up five percent from the number farrowed during that period in 2006.

## UNITED STATES

U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on June 1, 2007 was 62.8 million head. This was up 2 percent from both June 1, 2006 and March 1, 2007. Breeding inventory, at 6.12 million head, was up 1 percent from last year, and 2 percent from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 56.6 million head, was up 2 percent from both last year and last quarter.

The March-May 2007 pig crop, at 27.1 million head, was up 2 percent from 2006 and up 4 percent from 2005. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.97 million head, up 1 percent from 2006 and up 3 percent 2005. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 49 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.15 for the March-May 2007 period, compared to 9.08 last year. Pigs saved per

litter by size of operation ranged from 7.60 for operations with 1-99 hogs and pigs to 9.20 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

U.S. hog producers intend to have 2.96 million sows farrow during the June-August 2007 quarter, up 2 percent from the actual farrowings, and up 1 percent from 2005. Intended farrowings for September-November 2007, at 2.96 million sows, are up slightly from 2006 and up 2 percent from 2005. The total number of hogs under contract owned by operations with over 5,000 head, but raised by contractees, accounted for 39 percent of the total U.S. hog inventory, up from 38 percent last year.

HOGS AND PIGS: INVENTORY NUMBERS JUNE 1, 2006-2007

	Illinois			United States			
	2006	2007	2007 as % of 2006	2006	2007	2007 % of 2006	
	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent	
Breeding	430	440	102	6,060	6,116	101	
Market	3,770	3,460	92	55,627	56,634	102	
Under 60 lbs. 60-119 lbs. 120-179 lbs. 180 lbs.& over	1,350 940 840 640	1,270 860 760 570	94 91 90 89	20,808 13,692 11,485 9,643	21,182 13,894 11,624 9,934	102 101 101 103	
Total	4,200	3,900	93	61,687	62,750	102	

HOGS AND PIGS: FARROWINGS & PIG CROP, 2006-2007

	Illinois			United States		
	2006	2007	2007 as % of 2006	2006	2007	2007 as % of 2006
	1,000	head	Percent	1,000	head	Percent
Sows Farrowing						
Dec-Feb 1/	195	210	108	2,840	2,885	102
Mar-May	210	225	107	2,927	2,966	101
Jun-Aug	200	225 2/		2,912	2,958	102
Sep-Nov	215	225 2/	105	2,949	2,960	100
Pig Crop						
Dec-Feb 1/	1,755	1,901	108	25,661	26,210	102
Mar-May	1,901	2,025	107	26,579	27,141	102
	Numb	er				
Pigs Per Litter						
Dec-Feb 1/	9.00	9.05	-	9.03	9.09	-
Mar-May	9.05	9.00	-	9.08	9.15	-

<sup>1/</sup> December of prior year.

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